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| In re Divisional Application of:                 | )                            |
| Raphaël DUVAL                                    | ) Confirmation No. 2492      |
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| Serial No.: 10/694,844                           | ) Examiner: Henry, Michael C |
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| Filed: October 29, 2003                          | ) Atty Docket: PET-1802 D2   |
|  | )                            |
| For: Cross linked polymers based on bis-silane,  | ) Art Unit: 1623             |
| bis-thioether, bis-sulphoxide, bis-sulphone, and | )                            |
| butane-di-yl derivatives of polysaccharides and  | )                            |
| oligosaccharides, and their shaping as support   | )                            |
| material   | )                            |

**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**

**MAILED FEBRUARY 22, 2007**

Mail Stop: Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Patent Office to reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.